PROSPECTS EXCELLENT FOR BIG YIELD THIS YEAR.

SECRETARY COBURN'S FIRST BUL LETIN AS TO CONDITIONS.

REPORT GIVEN BY COUNTIES.

Oats Acreage Increased-No Damage Reported From Freeze of March 22 to 24-No Damage to Fruit Has Been Reported.

Topeka, Kas., March 28.-(Special.) A bulletin complied from reports of correspondents in nearly every county in the state, setting forth the present condition of the growing winter wheat, the percentage of failure by counties, if any, and its cause acreage sown to oats, as compared with last year, and present condition of the sou for working, is issued to-day by the state board of agriculture. As a whole, the condition of wheat is very favorable, and in many counties exceptionally promising with but a small percentage of failure from all causes. The acreage sown to oats ap-pears to be slightly increased. No damage by the cold weather of March 22-24 is re ported. In much of the state the soil is thoroughly saturated and in some of the eastern counties entirely too wet for pres ent working. In the main, present conditions are excellent, indeed.

The information, by counties, is as fol-

lows: Allen county-Condition of winter wheat, Allen county—Condition of winter wheat, as compared with a good average, 33; probably 5 per cent is a failure, or a very poor stand. Acreage sown to oass about the same as last year. Soil too west for working at this time.

Anderson—Very favorable winter for wheat; condition, 105. Oats acreage about the same as last year. Ground in excellent condition.

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Atchison—Condition, 26; 5 per cent is a failure, owing to dry fall weather. Oats acreage the same. Soil conditions excellent. Barber—About 12 per cent frozen out; condition, 75. Oats acreage somewhat increased. Soil condition fair.

Barton—The cold wave damaged wheat more or less; condition, 25. Oats acreage no larger than last year. Soil condition fair.

fair. Bourbon-About 12 per cent winter killed. condition, 85. Oats acreage about the same.
Too wet for plowing.
Brown—Condition, 160. Oats acreage
about the same. Soil condition excellent.
Butler—Condition, 169. Greater oats acreage, and soil condition excellent.
Chase—Condition, 85. Increased acreage of

Chase-Condition, 8. Increased acreage of oats. Plenty of moisture.
Chautauqua—Condition, 112; a small per cent of late sown may be a failure. Oats acreage the same as last year. Rather wet.
Cherokee—On account of dry fall weather 25 per cent will be a failure; condition, 100. Oats acreage doubled. Soil condition good.

good.

Cheyenne—Ten per cent is a failure; condition 50. Oats acreage no greater than last year. Ground in excellent condition.

Clark—Eighteen per cent is a failure, owing to dry fall weather; condition, 78. Very small acreage sown to oats. Soil condition fair.

Clark—Condition 50. Oats acreage great—

condition fair.

Clay—Condition 90. Oats acreage greater than, last year. Plenty of moisture.

Cloud—Probably 3 per cent will be a failure on account of dry weather and late seedings condition, 98. Oats acreage no greater. Soil condition excellent.

Coffey—Looks well; condition 112. Plenty of moisture and plowing largely done. Acreage in oats about the same as last year.

Cowley—Small but vigorous; condition 105. Oats acreage about as last year. Soil condition excellent. condition excellent. Crawford—Condition 75; 5 per cent a fail-

Crawford—Condition 6; 5 per cent a failure, owing to late plowing and seeding.
Oats acreage greater. Too wet just now.
Decatur—Ten per cent is likely to be a
failure owing to dry weather; condition
86. Oats not sown yet. Ground getting Dickinson-Wheat prospect best in thirty

years.

Doniphan—Condition 105. Oats acreage about the same as one year ago. Soil condition never better.

Douglas—Véry favorable winter for wheat; condition 100. Oats acreage 20 per cent greater than last year. Ground in

about the same as last year. Soll condi-

Edwards—Condition 30. Oats acreage about the same as last year. Soil condition first class.

Eik—Condition 100. Oats acreage about the same. Soil too wet.

Ellis—Condition 80. Thirteen per cent likely to be a failure because of the last freeze. Oats acreage no greater. Soil condition never better.

Ellisworth—Condition 100. Probably 5 per cent will be a failure owing to late seeding and dry weather. Oats acreage increased 55 per cent. Soil condition first class.

Finney—Ten per cent likely to be a failure on account of dry weather; condition 75. Oats acreage no greater than last year. Soil condition 90. About 10 per cent winter killed. Oats acreage 10 per cent winter killed. Franklin-Condition 105. · Oats acreage

less. Soil too wet.
Geary-Five per cent a failure, owing to
fry winer weather; condition 100. Oats
acreage no greater. Soil never in better condition.

Gover-Condition, 90. Oats acreage greater. Soil condition fair.

Graham-Twenty-five per cent is likely to be a failure, owing to dry weather and hard winds, condition 5. Oats acreage less than last year. Rather dry.

Grant-Very little wheat and no oats sown. Rather dry.

Gray-Condition 199. Oats acreage less.

Soil condition excellent.

Gray-Condition 100. Oats acreage less.
Soil condition excellent.
Greenwood-Condition 100. Oats acreage
same. Soil condition good.
Hamilton-Fifty per cent blown out: condition 50. Oats acreage less by 50 per
cent. Soil condition too dry.
Harper-Condition 155. Oats acreage 50
per cent greater than last year. Soil condition first-class.
Harvey-Condition 100. A small per cent
may be a fallure on account of late sowing.
Oats acreage greater. Soil condition good.
Haskell-Twenty-five per cent will be a
fallure, owing to dry weather; condition 75.
Oats acreage 20 per cent greater than last
year. Soil condition good.
Hodgeman-Condition 165. Oats acreage
20 per cent greater. Soil in good condition.
Jackson-Twenty per cent will be a fallure because of the dry weather; accordition
time; condition 110. Oats acreage greater.
Soil condition extra good.
Liferson-Twelly per cent is likely to be

oil condition extra good. Jefferson—Twelve per cent is likely to be

# SENT FREE TO MEN

The State Medical Institute Discover a Remarkable Remedy tor Lost Vigor.

ARE SENDING PREE A TRIAL PACK. AGE TO ALL WHO WRITE.

Free samples of a most remarkable reme dy are being distributed by the State Medical Institute, Fort Wayne, Ind. It cured so many men who had battled for years against the mental and physical suffering of lost manhood that the institute has de cided to distribute free trial packages to all who write. It is a home treatment, and all men who suffer with any form of sexual weakness resulting from youthful folly premature loss of strength and memory. weak back, varicocele, or emaciation of parts, can now cure themselves at home. remedy has a peculiarly grateful effeet of warmth and seems to act direct to the desired location, giving strength and development just where it is needed. It cures all the ills and troubles that come from years of misase of the natural functions and has been an absolute success in all cuses. A request to the State Medical Institute, 173 First National Bank building. Fort Wayne, Ind., stating that you desire one of their free trial packages will be complied with. The institute is desirous of reaching that great class of men who are unable to leave home to be treated, and the free sample will enable them to see how easy it is to be cured of sexual weakness when the proper remedies are employed. The institute makes no restrictions. Any man who writes will be sent a free sample, carefully sealed in a plain package, so that its recipient need have no fear of embarrassment or publicity. Readers are requested to write without delay. fect of warmth and seems to act direct to

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a fallure on account of the dry fall weather; condition 88. Oats acreage 15 per cent greater than last year. Soil too wet.

Jewell—Condition 166. A slight increase in the acreage of oats. Ground in excellent condition. Johnson-Five per cent will be a failure on account of the very late sowing; condi-tion 85. Increased acreage of oats. Soil Kearny-Condition 75. Oats acreage no greater. Rather dry.
Kingman-Condition 125. Oats acreage at least 59 per cent greater. Soil condition

least 50 per cent greater.

good.

Klowa-Best prospect for ten years; condition 110. Oats acreage some less. Soil condition never better.

Lane-Twenty-five per cent will be a failude, owing to dry weather and high winds; condition 75. Oats acreage about the same

Rather dry.
Leavenworth—Eighteen per cent is likely
to be a failure, owing to the dry weather at
seeding time and late freezing and thawing;
condition 83. Oats acreage same as last
year. Ground too wet.
Lincoin.—Condition 165; small per cent
blown out. Oats acreage 10 per cent greater than last year. Soil condition could not
be better. be better. Linn.-Condition 95. Oats acreage 29 per

Linn.—Condition 95. Oats acreage 29 per cent less. Soil too wet.

Logan.—Condition 90; 10 per cent blown out. Oats acreage the same as last year. Soil condition never better.

Lyon.—Condition 99; 10 per cent will be a fallure, owing to dry fall weather. Oats acreage no greater. Soil condition fair. Marion.—Five per cent is a failure; condition 190. Oats acreage 10 per cent greater than last year. Soil condition excellent.

McPherson.—Wheat condition 95. Soil condition good. ondition good.

Meade.—condition 100. Acreage of Meade.

oats and barley greatly increased over 1897. Soil condition excellent. Miami.-Looks well; condition 199. Oats acreage the same as last year. Soil condition good.

Mitchell.—Condition 160. Very little oats sown yet. Soil condition excellent.

Montgomery.—Condition 75: a small per cent will be a failure on account of dry weather. Oats acreage no greater. Soil

Morris,—Probably 5 per cent will be a failure on account of late seeding; condi-tion 95. Oats acreage less. Soil condition good.

Morton.—Ten per cent blown out; condi-tion 99. Increased oats acreage. Ground in good condition. Nemaha.—Condition 89; 5 per cent a failure on account of dry fall weather. Oats acreage no greater. Soil conditions good. Neosho.—Condition 55. Oats acreage no Neosho,-Condition greater, Soil too wet. Condition 100. Oats acreage no

Ness.—Condition 100. Oats acreage no greater. Soil too dry.
Norton.—Twenty per cent a failure, owing to dry weather and high winds: condition 80. Oats acreage the same. Soil condition fair.
Osage.—Condition 103. Oats acreage no greater. Soil condition first class.
Osborre—Condition 5:55 per cent force. Osborne-Condition, 95; 5 per cent frozen out. Oats acreage less than last year. Soil

Osborne-Condition, 35; 5 per cent frozen out. Oats acreage less than last year. Soil condition good.

Ottawa-Condition of wheat probably 190. Oats acreage larger than last year. Soil condition good.

Pawnee-Twelve per cent blown out; condition, 98. Oats acreage greater than one year ago. Ground in good condition.

Phillips-Condition, 85. Oats acreage no greater than last year. Ground too dry.

Pottawatomie-Condition, 90: 19 per cent will be a failure because of dry fall weather. Oats acreage no greater. Soil condition, good.

Pratt-Condition, 75; small per cent blown out. Oats acreage no greater than last year, Soil condition excellent.

Rawlins-Condition, 113, Oats acreage 20 per cent greater than last year. Soil condition coccellent.

Reno-Condition, 109. Oats acreage same.

Soil condition good.

Renuble-Condition, 165, Increase in cate

Soil condition good.

Republic-Condition, 165, Increase in cats acreage. Soil condition excellent.
Riley-Condition. 98; small percentage likely to be a failure owing to late sowing.
Increased oats acreage. Plenty of moisture.
Rooks-Condition, 195. Oats acreage greaters. Soil condition great

Rooks—Condition, 195. Oats acreage greater. Soil condition good.
Rush—Condition, 129: nearly everything sown in wheat. Oats acreage less. Soil condition is as good as at any time within twenty-rive years.
Russell—Condition, 110. Increased acreage sown to oats. Soil condition excellent.
Saline—Condition, 190. Oats acreage less. Soil condition excellent.
Scott—Condition, 55. Oats acreage no greater than last year. Ground rather dry. Sedgwick—Condition 110. Oats acreage increased probably 20 per cent. Soil condition excellent.

excellent.

Seward-Probably 12 per cent will be a failure, owing to late sowing; condition 83.

Oats acreage increased. Soil condition good. Shawnee-Condition 80. Acreage sown to oats 30 per cent greater than last year. Soil condition good.

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Sheridan—Twelve per cent will be a failure, on account of dry, windy weather; condition 78. Oats acreage about the same as last year. Soll condition excellent.

Sherman—Condition 99: 10 per cent may be a failure on account of late sowing. Oats acreage increased. Soll condition good. Smith—Condition 90. Oats acreage no greater. Soll condition excellent.

Stafford—Condition 100. Oats acreage no greater. Ground in excellent condition. Stanton—Twenty per cent blown out: condition 50. No oats sown. Soll rather dry. Stevens—Condition 90. Oats acreage no greater. Soll in good condition.

Sumner—Condition 90. Oats acreage no greater. Soll in good condition.

Sumner—Condition 90. Oats acreage no greater. Soil in good condition.

Thomas—Condition 90. Oats acreage no greater. Soil condition 50. 50 per cent will be a failure owing to late seeding and dry weather. Oats acreage no greater. Ground getting dry.

Trego—Condition, 100. Oats, acreage no greater. Soil in good condition for plowing and planting.

Wabaunsee—Condition, 95. Oats, acreage 10 per cent greater than last year. Ground a little too wet.

Wallace—Condition, 80: 10 per cent blown out. Oats, acreage no greater. Soil, condition fair.

Washington—Ten per cent frozen out; condition fair.

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Washington—Ten per cent frozen out; condition. 90. Oats, acreage no greater. Soil. condition. 70; 10 per cent blown out. Oats, acreage less than one year ago. Soil. condition fair.

Wilson—Condition. 90; 5 per cent will likely be a failure, owing to dry fall weather. Oats, acreage 10 per cent greater. Ground too wet.

Oats, acreage 19 per cent greater. Ground too wet.
Woodson-Condition, 129. No cats sown yet. Soil, condition the very best.
Wyandotte-Condition, 98. Oats, acreage no greater. Soil too wet.
While the sgrieultural department leaves the collection of information on the fruit crop conditions to the horticultural society. Sceretary Coburn says he has received no information whatever of fruit being damaged.

### OTHER WARS THAN OURS. Dervishes Intrenched in Shendy Are

Routed by Anglo-Egyptian Forces and the City Captured.

Cairo, March 29.-It is officially anounced that the gunboats and Anglo-Egyptian troops attacked Shendy on Saturday, destroyed the forts, captured quantities of grain, cattle and ammunition and liberated over 600 slaves, mostly Jaalins. The dervishes lost 160 men. ties on the Anglo-Egyptian side, The gunboats, with a battalion of Egyp-

tians on board, ascended the Nile from th mouth of the Athara river, and arrived at Shendy by dawn on Saturday. The gunboats shelled the forts and then the battalion was landed and attacked the town. The attack was made by a flank movement, and the dervish garrison was completely routed, the Egyptians pursuing them for twenty miles. for twenty miles.

The capture of Shendy was a brilliant ma-

neuver, as the main body of the dervishes, who advanced against the Egyptian forces from Shendy, is now cut off from its base and its reserve depot is destroyed. The dervishes, who advanced against the Anglodervishes, who advanced against the Anglo-Egyptian army, are intrenched at El Higi, on the Athara river. They are suffering severely from lack of food and are subsist-ing on palm nuts. The destruction of their supplies at Shendy will compel them to give battle, for which the Angio-Egyptian expedition has been eagerly waiting. News of a crushing defeat of the dervishes is ex-pected here hourly.

# INDIAN LAND TITLES.

House Indian Committee at Work or the Otoe and Missouri Res-

ervation Bill. Washington, March 29.-(Special.) The house committee on Indian affairs to-day met and considered the bill to provide for the revision and adjustment of the sales of the Otoe and Missouri reservation lands in Kansas and Nebraska and to confirm the titles under these sales. By the provis-ions of this bill, the secretary of the in-terior is authorized and directed to revise terior is authorized and directed to revise and adjust on principles of equality the sales of lands in the late reservation of the confederated Otoe and Missouri Indians in Kansas and Nebraska, which lands, it is alleged, were sold at far above their appraised value. The purchasers at these sales are now trying to recover the difference between the appraised value and the price at which the lands were bought. Considerable opposition was manifested, but it is thought that the bill will be favorably reported.

Mrs. Holmes—"Have you anybody you can refer me to?" Menial—"O, yes; I have come prepared to exchange references with you."—Boston Transcript.

# THE ROAD BED SANK.

Vreck on Peorla & Eastern Due to Softening of the Track by Heavy Rains. Indianapolis, Ind., March 29.-Train No.

2. eastbound, on the Peoria & Eastern was wrecked three and a half miles east o Bloomington III shortly after 9 o'clock this morning. The wreck was one of the worst the system has known, though, fortunately, there was no loss of life. However, there were twenty-seven persons in jured and four of them severely. was the fast express, due in this o'clock in the afternoon. As it left Bloom ngton it had just gotten at full speed and was at the foot of Redwine hill, where there is a small creek. A trestle of seventy-five feet spans this creek. Just before the train struck this trestle, the engine tender sank and was derailed. This threw the baggage car and three passenger cars in the rear from the rails. However, these cars cleared the trestle, though the guard rails were broken. When the opposite side of the creek had been renched the coaches all toppled over an eight-foot embankment. The engine held the track.

General Manager Barnard received a report from the company's surgeons at Bloomington this afternoon. The report gives the names of twenty-seven people who were injured in any manner. Most of the train's passengers lived in Illinois towns. The names of those whose injuries were the most severe are: E. F. Bracken, Greenview, Ill., severe cut on head; Charles Daily, Westville, Ill., chest hurt; E. M. Rhoads, Bloomington, Ill. nose fractured; Mrs. J. H. Adams, Rosslyn, Wash, scalp wound and left hip bruised.

The information of the officials is that none of the injuries to the passengers will prove fatal.

General Manager Barnard says that the was at the foot of Redwine hill, where here is a small creck. A trestle of none of the injuries to the passengers will prove fatal.

General Manager Earnard says that the cause of the accident, as near as can be as-certained, was the sinking of the track. The heavy rains have greatly weakened the roadbed.

# GOES THROUGH A BRIDGE.

lifteen People Hurt, Several Seriously, by the Wrecking of an

Illinois Train. Bloomington, Ill., March 29.-The local express and mail train east bound on the Big Four, leaving Bloomington for Indianapolis at 9:10 a. m. to-day, went through a bridge at Kickapoo creek, three miles southeast of Bloomington.

through a bridge at Kickapoo creek, three miles southeast of Bloomington. No one was killed outright, but nearly every person aboard was cut, wrenched and bruised, many very seriously. The worst hurt were taken to a farmhouse. Every car lies in the ditch, bottom up. The engine did not leave the rails.

A relief train with surgeons was sent from here and within a few hours, the injured were brought to this city.

Those most seriously hurt are:
Edward Rhodes, Bloomington; skull fractured, jaw broken; will probably die. Mrs. Caroline Dunbar. Montgomery. Ill.: aged lady: internally injured: may die. Mrs. J. P. Adams, Rosslyn, Wash.; crushed and bruised: may die. Miss Sidonia Bruner, Peru, Ill.; arm broken, badly bruised; Mrs. Mary Ferguson, Bloomington, Ill.; badly bruised, face and head severely cut. Mrs. A. K. White, Normal, Ill., severely injured internally; Charles Daily, Westville, Ill., concussion of spine, breast crushed, probably fatal. Rev. S. S. Jones, Danvers, Ill., hips crushed, seriously. A. B. Hurd, El Paso, Ill., head cut by glass, Otto Chamberlain, Mattoon, Ill., badly bruised and cut. W. A. Archer, Petersburg, Ill., side crushed. George R. Jones, Bloomington, back seriously injured. William C. Wado, Bloomington, serious, Joseph Keenan, Leroy, Ill., cut and bruised.

# CRUSHED IN THE ICE.

Steamer Mastiff Meets With Disaster and Her Crew Have a Terrible Experience.

St. Johns, N. F., March 29.-The steamer Mastiff was crushed in an ice floe off Gross island on March 15, and the bottom was torn out of her by the heres. The crew with boats and provisions, left the ship and escaped on the ice floe, where they spent forty-eight hours, nearly every man being frostbitten, most of them severely. The ice broke up the first night, and a

large party of men was plunged into the water. All escaped with their lives, but their misery was greatly increased by this misfortune. The second night twelve went insane, but by great exertion on the part of the captain and the officers, these unfortunates were kept under control.

During the forenoon of the 17th, the steamers Newfoundland, Neptune and Walrus appeared and speedily transferred the castaways to their decks.

It is feared that many must lose their limbs. large party of men was plunged into the

# POWDER MILLS EXPLOSION. Four Employes Fatally Injured at

Clarksville, Tenn.-Two Magazines Blew Up.

Ciarksville, Tenn., March 29.-Three terrific explosions occurred at the Sycamore powder mills to-day, fatally injuring four employes-John Morris, Joseph Fizer, Pearly Felts and James Cullom. The explosion was felt for a radius of fifty miles resembling an earthquake, alarming citizens greatly. The graining mill and magazines Nos. 1 and 4 blew up, the rolling mill and packing houses being destroyed also. The cause of the explosion is unknown. For some time blasting powder only has been manufactured. The mills employed nearly 200 men.

Two More Bodies Recovered. Chicago, March 29.—The body of Frederick L. Robinson and that of a woman supposed to be Miss Hattle Davidson have been taken from the ruins of the Ayer building. Robinson's body was identified by papers in his pocket, but the woman's orpse was so badly burned as to be un-ecognizable. Twelve bodies have now been ound and five people are still missing.

Four Men Crushed. Pittsburg, March 29 .- While a force o

Pritsburg, March 22—While a force of men was engaged in taking out the center cone of a new oven at the plant of the Pennsylvania Car Wheel Company, Alle-gheny, this morning, the oven collapsed and buried the four men engaged in the work, under tons of brick and mortar. Of the four three were soriously injured and the four, three were seriously injured and at least one, it is thought, will die,

# CUT IN PRICE OF SUGAR.

Chicago Wholesalers Sell at Prices of the Sugar Trust in New

York. Chicago, Ill., March 29 .- The Times-Herald says: "Chicago wholesale grocers are selling sugar in Cook county at precisely the same price that the sugar trust is selling it at New York. The Chicago wholesaler also pays the freight from the refinery here. This unusual state of affairs is the result of a war among the local wholesalers. The reduction has not yet been met by Minneapolis, St. Louis, Detroit, Toledo or any of the other surrounding jobbing points, but it is so sweeping that it will certainly affect their trade and must sooner or later extend to the whole country." selling it at New York. The Chicago

# A MATRIMONIAL MIXUP.

Chicago Woman Asks That an Alleged Mock Marriage Be Declared Null and Void.

Chicago, March 29.-The romantic umstances surrounding the alleged marriage between Mabel Evelyn Shaw and Frank Fiske Farwell, at Providence, R. I., Frank Fiske Farwell, at Providence, R. I., in December, 1896, were recalled to-day by a bill filed in the superior court here by "Mrs. Maud Evelyn Mix. formerly Miss. Shaw." Two months ago the plaintiff married H. L. Mix, a student at Harvard university. She now asks that the so-called marriage with Farwell in 1896 be declared null and void, on the ground that she was then a minor and that the ceremony was understood by her to be a mock marriage. Miss Shaw was prominent in East Cambridge, Mass., society. The alleged marriage to Farwell, it is said, was the outcome of a wager of a box of chocolates.

# Washington Notes.

Representative Charles Curtis and his sister left Washington yesterday morning at 10 o'clock for Newkirk, O. T., in re-sponse to a telegram announcing the death Congressman Broderick has introduced a bill granting an increase of pension to John Gibson.

He-"Who is that disreputable, ugly old fellow there?" She (haughtily)-"That is my husband, sir." He (coolly)-"How true it is that homely men always secure the handsomest wives!"-Judy.

# THE CZAR'S TRIUMPH

DOES IT MEAN AN END TO EX.

GLAND'S PREDOMINANCE? TA-LIEN-WAN TO BE OPENED.

PORT ARTHUR. No Indication of What the Policy of the Japan Government Will Be With Reference to Russin's Action-Russia's Formal Notice.

TWO THOUSAND RUSSIAN TROOPS AT

Lordon, March 30 .- The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Times says:

"The greatest indifference, amounting almost to contempt, is shown here for any possible British protests against the Russo-Chinese agreement. The Novo Vremya declares: 'England will never go beyond a protest. Her predominance in the Far East is gone forever and it will be worse for her if she fails to come to a timely agreement with Russia, France and Ger-

Warlike preparations continue here. Conimportance is attached to a speech of Lord Selbourne, under-secretary for the colonies, in this city, yesterday, in which, although he disavowed speaking as a repsonsible member of the government, it is believed he expressed the goverrment's views.

Lord Selbourne declared that there was no more humiliation for England in failing to exclude Russia from Manchuria than there would be for Russia in failing to exclude England from Khartoum. "We should receive from any power carving out a sphere of influence in China," he said, "a confirmation and re-

assertion of the rights we now enjoy, and any government should make the infringement of those rights a casus bellt. "England has lost nothing in China which ought to have been kept. The policy of an open door is intact. We have already obtained valuable compensations, and are in

position to obtain more if we require The Times, commenting editorially on Lord Selbourne's speech yesterday, says:
"The language of Lord Selbourne is not
calculated to dispel the dangerous illusion
expressed by the newspapers that Great
Britain will not go to a greater length than
protests."

protests."
The Morning Post says: "Lord Selbourne's speech appears to indicate that bourne's speech appears to indicate that the government is conscious of having lost the game against Russia."

The Daily Chronicle says: "The government may be preparing some brilliant checkmate for the Russian game, but the British citizen is not fool enough to accept the story that the door has been kept wide open. The treaty of Tien-Tsin is being torn up and the door will soon be slatted."

The Daily News says: "It is a serious rebuff, and makes the government look very foolish. The hue and cry the Tory papers are raising, however, is mischievous and undignified. Clearly, it was not worth England's while to go to war to prevent Russia's action. What we have to do is to see that British rights and interests are not imperiled."

St. Petersburg, March 29.—The Official

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St. Petersburg, March 29.—The Official Messenger publishes a circular which has been telegraphed by Count Muravieff, the Russian minister for foreign affairs, to the representatives of Russia abroad. It is as follows:

follows:

"By virtue of a convention signed at Pekin on March 27. Port Arthur and the port of Ta-Lien-Wan, and the territories adjacent, have been ceded to Russia in usufruct by China. You are requested to notify the government whereto you are accredit, adding that the above mentioned ports and territories will be immediately. ports and territories will be immediately occupied by Russian troops, and that the Russian flag will be hoisted by the side of the Chinese flag. "You may at the same time inform the foreign minister that the port of Ta-Lie Wan will be open to foreign trade, a that the largest measure of hospitality w

be extended to the ships of all friendly An official communication issued to the press adds: "The cessions are for twenty-five years, but may be extended later by common accord.

"Further, China has conceded the right of constructing a railroad to connect the triple of constructing a railroad to connect the triple of construction are the triple of triple of the triple of the triple of the triple of triple of the triple of tripl

of constructing a railroad to connect the ports with the trans-Siberian main line."

After stating that the arrangement is the direct and natural consequence of amicable relations between two neighboring states anxious to advance the interests of their peoples, the official communication continues:

"While safeguarding the integrity and sovereignty of China and satisfying the essential needs of Russia, the arrangement injures the interests of no foreign state. On the contrary, it affords all nations the possibility of entering in the near future into relations with the river regions of the Yellow sea, hitherto closed to them. The opening of Ta-Lien-Wan to the merchant ships of all nations will create a new and wide market for commerce and industry, owing to the trans-Siberian line, which is henceforth destined to connect the extremities of two continents and the Old World. The arrangement, therefore, is of high historical value to Russia, and should be hailed as a fortunate event by all those

be halled as a fortunate event by all those who have at heart the benefits of peace and development of good relations among nations."
Pekin, March 29.—Two thousand Russiar

Pekin, March 29.—Two thousand Russian troops, including cavalry, have been landed at Port Arthur, and it is said that 170 guns are en route to fortify Port Arthur and Ta-Lien-Wan.

The Chinese flag is hoisted behind that of Russia, to save China's face. The Chinese do not attach any importance to the lease feature, since they are aware that the Russians will remain in perpetuity. There are nine Russian warships now at Port Arthur. York Arthur.
Yokohama, March 29.—There is till no indication of what the policy of the Japanese government is or will be with reference to Russia's action. The presumption is that the government is waiting until China shall have paid the indemnity.

# ZOLA TO LECTURE HERE.

Case of Captain Dreyfus Likely to Be the Lending Theme in His American Tour.

New York, March 29.-Emile Zola agreed to come to the United States to give series of fifteen lectures. Edmund Gerson, of this city, has received a cable from him accepting the terms offered for a lecture tour, but not setting any definite ate for sailing.

Mr. Gerson, who has translated several of Zola's works into the English, wrote some time ago offering a very large sum as an inducement for the lecturing tour. The subjects of the lectures are not yet known, but the case of Captain Dreyfus and the anti-Semitic agitation probably will be leading themes.

Zola has been permitted to take an appeal from his conviction and the time of his visit to America will depend upon the result. of Zola's works into the English

### WILL REMAIN IN THE SERVICE. Accentance of the Resignation o Lieutenant M. J. O'Brien With-

drawn by Secretary Alger. Washington, March 29 .- The secretary of war to-day signed an order recalling the acceptance of the resignation of First Lacutenant M. J. O'Brien, Fifth infantry. This officer figured in the court-martial proceedings held at Atlanta, Ga., a few months ago as a result of trouble with Captain Romeyn. Captain Romeyn was court-martialed, but was allowed to retire without punishment. More recently Lieutenant O'Brien was charged with conduct unbecoming an officer, but, pending action on the charges, Lieutenant O'Brien resigned, and the resignation was accepted, to take effect to-morrow. Through the intercession of influential friends, the secretary of war has been induced to withdraw the acceptance of resignation. This will continue Lieutenant O'Brien in the service. acceptance of the resignation of First service.

# Soldier of Note.

From the Detroit Free Press. "I will go to the war if there be one," said the nervous little professor of music, aid the nervous little professor of music,
"I will do my duty,"
"Professor," said his big long haired
rival, "If you can only have a few of your
marches played I'll guarantee them to put
the Spanish on the run every time."

Pleasing manners, good clothes, and lavish expenditure of money, for a woman often covereth a multitude of sins in a

# CRIMES OF A PREACHER.

Rev. G. E. Morrison, Arrested in Callfornia. Wanted in Texas for Forgery and Murder.

San Francisco, March 29.—Constable Barnstein, of Kings county, arrested Rev. Mr. George E. Morrison, until lately a resiient of Hanford, where he occupied one of the pulpits of that town, in this city to-day, The prisoner was taken to the city prison Morison is said to be wanted by the authorities of Carson county, Tex., to answer to harges of embezzlement, forgery and murder. While residing in Carson county his wife died suddenly under circumstances

der. While residing in Carson county his wife died suddenly under circumstances which gave rise to the suspicion that she had been murdered. Morrison left Texas suddenly and went to Topeka, Kas. He says that he was arrested in Topeka and held for a time, but the Texas authorities did not send for him and he was released. He then went to Mexico, where he worked in the mines. He has just returned from there and was dressed like a miner.

Topeka, Kas., March 29.—Rev. Mr. G. E. Morrison, said to have been captured in San Francisco to-day, was in Topeka several times last fall—first in September, then in October and again in November, coming from Panhandle, Tex., where his wife died under suspicious circumstances indicating that he had poisoned her.

Morrison, while here, it is said, became betrothed to an old schoolmate, but the marriage was later declared off.

The sheriff of Panhandle, Tex., ordered that he be held here and the police held him for several days, but finally, no sheriff appearing, let him go November 29. When the sheriff arrived later, Morrison was gone and to-day brings the first news of his whereabouts. He was said to have been much married and to have lived in California about ten years ago. He was an ordained Methodist preacher, and carried a clergyman's half fare permit.

### EXPRESS MESSENGER'S NERVE Whips a Band of Train Robbers and Joins Officers in Chasing Them.

Los Angeles, Cal., March 29.-Meager details have been secured here by the Santa Fe railway, of an attempt to hold up the westbound Santa Fe passenger train near Grant, Mexico, early to-day. The train was flagged some distance from the lonely station and slowed down. The fireman and engineer, however, suspected the cause of the flagging and were moving ahead when the robbers opened fire and wounded

The train was stopped and five masked The train was stopped and five masked men approached. Express Messenger Fowler stepped from the train and opened fire with a brace of pistols. The robbers were unprepared for this and fled. One of them was severely wounded by Fowler, but his comrades got him away. Fowler joined New Mexican officers, who are now following the trail. The train proceeded West. Nothing was heard of the robbers.

### CASHIER STEELE ARRESTED. Charged With Crookedness in Connection With the Failure of the Singerly Bank.

Philadelphia, March 29.-Cashier William A. Steele, of the Chestnut Street National bank, of which institution the late William M. Singerly was president, was arrested to-night on a warrant issued by the United States district attorney. The bank closed its doors in the latter part of December, and Bank Examiner Hardt immediately took charge. He began an investigation, the result of which was the warrant for the cashier's arrest. Steele is charged with making false reports and statements to the comptroller of the currency. The affidavit alleges that on March 9, 1897, he reported \$3,899,77 overdrafts, whereas the amount was \$42,528,18; again, on May 11, \$18,004.19, when it should have been \$90,-714.67. July 23, overdrafts reported amounted to \$4,442.11, October 5, \$3,522.34, when the former really was \$98,252.19 and the latter over \$100,000. States district attorney. The bank closed

# NOBODY'S NECK BROKEN.

Indian by That Name Found Dead Indications of Fight Without Wenpons.

Pendleton, Ore., March 29.-An Indian of the name of Nobody was found dead on the Umatilla reservation, two miles above Cayuse station. It is learned that Nobody had a controversy with another Indian named Jim Hanani, Saturday night, over bottle of whisky. Both dismounted from their horses and grappled in deadly comtheir norses and grappied in deadly com-bat, but without weapons, tearing out bunches of each other's hair. Indications are that Hanani got astride of Nobody and pulled his head backward by the hair until his neck was broken. He was also bruised and cut about the head. A partial con-fession of Hanani led to his arrest by the American police.

# TEXAS FAMILY MURDERED.

Father, Mother and Two Children Slain by Two Unknown Men.

San Angelo, Tex., March 29.-The whole Lee family, consisting of father, mother and two small children, have been mur-dered on a ranch near Paint Rock. A man who gave the alarm states that in the early part of the evening two men called early part of the evening two men called at the Lee house and asked to be allowed to stay during the night. They were denied accommodations. Later in the night, he awoke to find the men in the house, and as he ran he was fired upon by them. An ax was the weapon used for murdering the victims. The country is being scoured by officers in an attempt to catch the suspected parties.

### NEGRO PREACHER MOBBED. Itinerant Evangelist Driven Out of Langston, O. T., by an Indig-

nant Populace. Guthrie, O. T., March 29.—(Special.) For several weeks William Burnell, an itinerant negro evangelist, has been holding revivals of the Sam Jones order at the negro town of Langston. Sunday, however, he town of Langston. Sunday, nowever, he became a little too personal in his remarks, arousing the ire of the men of the town by reflections on the character of the women, and late that night fifty of them broke into his room, dragged him into the street with a rope around his neck, and gave him five minutes to leave town. He left and later they threw his furniture and clothing into the street.

### BIG BATCH OF INDICTMENTS. Warrants Out for Arrest of Every Saloonist and Gambling House

Proprietor in Guthrie. Guthrie, O. T., March 29.—(Special.) A large batch of warrants was placed in the sheriff's hands this afternoon, based on sixty-two indictments found by the territorial grand jury, acting under special instructions from Chief Justice Burford, and arrests will be made to-morrow. The indictments cover every saloon in the city for alleged violation of the territorial laws, two gambling houses and several inmates, three owners of property who rent to courtesans and several of the inmates.

## PAWNEE TOM GETS DRUNK. En Route to See Great Father He

Stops to Do a War Dance on

Union Avenue. Pawnee Tom, a chief of the Pawnee nation, arrived in Kansas City on a Santa Fe train from the West at 5 o'clock last night. He drank Union avenue whisky for six hours, and about 11 o'clock started to execute a war dance on Union avenue. Officer Keenan took him to No. 2 police station, where he refused to enter a cell, and it required three officers to handle him. H is en route to Washington to see the Great

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# WONDERFUL NEW POET.

Was Discovered by Professor Lee Wiener, of Harvard University-A Translation.

New York holds a wonderful poet. He was "discovered" by Professor Lee Wiener of Harvard university. This strangely sweet singer is a poet born. He cannot write in English, in German, or in Russia -he sings his lays in that strange language urrent among his people.

He is the Burns of the Ghetto, touching the heart by the homeliness of the subject and treatment, and yet it is poetry of no and treatment, and yet it is poetry of no mean order.

The "yiddish" which he uses is a pecu-liar compound of German, Russian, Lith-uanian and Hebrew, know and used by the masses that swarm in the Russian "pale," without grammar, elastic, embrac-ing. It is difficult for any one not to the manner born to understand this strange jargon, but for the people it is their lan-guage.

griage.

Perhaps now a new life is opening before this poet of the people. Professor Seligman of Columbia university had him read in his parlors. Harvard college will listen to him next month, and Messrs. Copeland and Day of Boston are just about to issue a volume of his poems in the original with an English translation by Professor Wiener.

Here is a translation of a short lyric of anguish called: "The Canary."

How trilleth the canary in forest free alone. O, who can feel its gladness, who under-stands its joy? How trilleth the canary, in beauteous gilded

cage.

O, who can feel its yearning, who under-stands its pain?

From Harper's Weekly.

A Mr. Sandford, of New Haven, described as "Yale's old center rush and football coach," is quoted in the newspapers as being of a mind to enlist if there is war, and as of the opinion that "every old college football player in the East will do the same." Mr. Sandford is a peace man, but he says that all the stalwart old Yale athletes whom he has seen are ready to respond to a call to arms, and he believes the country will find no stouter defenders "than the warriors who have gained courage on football fields."

No doubt the football men would give a good account of themselves if it came to blows, though there is some reason to think that if our troubles with Spain should end in active hostilities, the heavy end of the conflict would fall not so much upon fighting men as upon stokers. The value of football as a means of keeping alive a martial spirit in time of peace has been abundantly dwelt upon, yet, after all, the chief particular in which veteran football players would be expected to excel as soldlers would be in the possession of superior physical endurance, and in that particular, if war came, they would compete not with students and young men somewhat delicately reared, but with the great body of workingmen. The hard physical work of war is done for the most part by young men accustomed from an early age to physical labor. In the host of such men that are available for service the little army of football men would cut, numerically at least, a small figure. One of the interesting results of war would be the chance it would afford of ascertaining whether football has had a visible effect upon our milltary capacity. Of course, however, it wouldn't pay to hatch out a trouble on that account alone.

The German Army.

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the Review of Reviews.

The danger of a rupture of European peace is not great at the present moment, nor are any serious fears entertained in this direction. Nevertheless we can not dream nor are any serious fears entertained in this direction. Nevertheless we can not dream for a moment that our armed millions will be even partially disbanded or disarmed. With a few exceptions everybody in Germany is convinced of the truth of the sentence. "Si vis pacem, para bellum!" and no movement of any weight exists in favor of disarmament. The heavy expenditure on our armaments is borne as a hard necesity. We know full well that it involves our national existence. The German army is probably the most highly trained, as well as the promptest in action, in Europe; and even although enormous sums are required for the support of this army—our military budget for the year 1898-1899 exceeds \$90.00,000 marks—Germans console themselves with the thought that it is the price of peace, and that other nations pay still more for similar objects. Does not the pension list of the United States show a greater expenditure than our military budget? Leaning on such a terrible weapon as the army, every possible government in Germany may pursue European diplomacy with some tranquillity of mind.

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Kickham-"Fifteen dollars for an Easter burn, my dear!"

Mrs. Kickham-"Well, haven't you? Another box of cigars came to-day."-Harper's Bazar.

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